

GOSPEL DIMENSIONS

FACET OF SALVATION	GOD'S SAVING ACTIVITY	RESULT FOR BELIEVER
<i>Justification</i> Answers the problem of our guilt and condemnation before God and His Law (Rom 3:24)	A legal pronouncement, verdict, declaration (2 Cor 5:21)	Right-standing before God and His Law
<i>Propitiation</i> Answers the problem of being under the wrath of God due to sin (Rom 3:26)	Christ's death satisfying God's wrath and justice on behalf of the believer	Delivers from the just penalty of sin
<i>Redemption</i> Answers the problem of our bondage to sin, and our debt to the Law of God (Eph 1:7).	Payment of a price that sets free from slavery to sin (freedom from the old master)	Freedom from the power and tyranny of sin's reign
<i>Reconciliation</i> Answers the problem of our hostility toward God and our alienation from Him (2 Cor 5:18; Col 1:22)	Removal of enmity, restoration to friendly relations with God	Fellowship, favor, acceptance with God (bestows the relational benefits of justification)
<i>Sanctification</i> Answers the problem of our subjugation and servitude to the world, the flesh, and the devil (Heb 10:10, 14)	The believer is crucified with Christ; co-crucifixion consecrates the believer to God as His possession	We are set apart unto God for a love relationship of worship and service (Rom 6:11-14)
<i>Substitution</i> Answers the problem of our total failure to satisfy the demands of God's law; and our inability to bear God's wrath (2 Cor 5:21; Is 53:4-6)	Christ bears the sins of His people in His body on the cross (1 Pet 2:24). He dies on behalf of all who will believe (Mk 10:45; Gal 3:13)	The righteous demands of God are met on our behalf. We have peace with God and bold access through Christ (Eph 2:14)
<i>Forgiveness</i> Answers the problem of the charges against us; our debt; and our 'bad record' in heaven	A legal act that removes our legal guilt and charges against us; cancels our debt (Col 2:13)	The believer is freely forgiven his sin: past present, future (Eph 1:7)
<i>Covenant</i> Answers the problem of our innate insecurity and exposure before our immutably holy God. Due to sin, we merit His disfavor; we could not supply the obedience needed	God condescends to make a covenant with believing sinners. He graciously bestows what He requires—making believers beneficiaries of an unbreakable	Perfect status is conferred on the believing sinner irrespective of spiritual qualification. The believer enjoys communion with

to attain the reward of life

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God and safety in God